

FOSTER PARENT COLLEGE BLENDED PRE-SERVICE CURRICULUM

**A joint effort between the Minnesota Department of Human Services and County Social Services Agencies using the Foster Parent College curriculum.
The Minnesota Child Welfare Training System (MCWTS) has a contract with Foster Parent College to offer their blended Pre-service training to foster parents. It is a blend of online and in-person training.**

Pre-Service Training

The pre-service training blends four classroom sessions and 10 online courses on FosterParentCollege.com (www.fosterparentcollege.com).

Following Meeting I, trainees will view several online courses and then attend Meeting II to discuss content, ask questions, and learn more about caregiving. After Meeting II they will complete more classes online; attend Meeting III; complete more online classes; then reconvene for the final session, Meeting IV.

Trainer:

Jennifer McLaughlin, LSW

Jennifer has 25 years of experience in child welfare services. She has worked for Douglas County Social Services for the past 23 years doing child foster care licensing a majority of that time. Jennifer was one of the first in the state to use the Foster Parent College Blended Service Curriculum. Jennifer has been an advocate for access to online training especially for foster families in rural Minnesota since 2014.

Schedule

Meeting I: Orientation and Overview February 22, 2018, 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 552
1. The Child Welfare Team	Online
2. Child Abuse and Neglect	Online
3. Parent-Child Attachment	Online
4. Understanding Behavior in Foster Children	Online
Meeting II: Review of Sessions 1-4 March 20, 2018, 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 552
5. Child Development	Online
6. Cultural Issues in Parenting	Online
7. Working Together with Primary Families	Online
Meeting III: Review of Sessions 5-7 April 12, 2018, 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 552
8. Caring for Children Who have Been Sexually Abused	Online
9. Reducing Family Stress	Online
10. Foster Care to Adoption	Online
Meeting IV: Review of Sessions 8-10 and Wrap-Up May 8, 2018, 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 552

Classes will be held in Room 552 of the Anoka County Government Center.

Doors will be open 15 minutes prior to the training start times. **Please use the main entrance across from Wells Fargo Bank.**

To register, or for more information, contact:

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